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Device for Adusting at Least One Register Element in a Printing

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

German Published, Prosecuted Patent Application DT 2 213 614 (Simeth), dated March 22, 1973, device for fastening printing plates;

European Patent Application EP 0 492 138 A1 (Merkel), dated July 1, 1992, fast clamping device I.;

European Patent Application EP 0 596 337 A1 (Schild et al.), dated May 11, 1994, device for accurately registering printing plates on the plate cylinder of printing machines;

Eurepean Patent Application EP 0 600 231 A1 (Hartung et al.), dated June 8, 1994, device for the registered stretching of printing plates on the plate cylinder of printing machines;

European Search Report dated December 14, 2001.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e) the undersigned herewith states that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

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